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GOULD TENNIS TEAM DEFEATS RUMFORD 8-1

After losing their opening match last week against a strong Hebron team, the local racket welders came through with a neat 8 to 1 victory. Townsend very nearly made it a clean sweep but failed in the final set. It took 40 games to settle the affair before Gamache finally won the only match Rumford could gather.

Jenks had little difficulty disposing of Carey with a 6-0 and a 6-1 score, while St. Thomas won his singles in two sets. The other singles matches all went three sets.

Especially pleasing was the clean sweep victory in the doubles matches, which show only three games against Blanchard and St. Thomas in two sets, three against Bull and Jenks in two sets.

Summary:
Singles—Blanchard (G) won over Gallant (R), 6-2; 4-6; 6-4. Jenks (G) won over Carey (R) 6-0; 6-1. St. Thomas (G) won over McMennamin (R), 6-1; 7-5. Bull (G) won over Batherson (R), 3-6; 6-4; 6-1. Ireland (G) won over Martin (R), 5-7; 6-1; 8-6. Gamache (R) won over Townsend (G), 9-7; 5-7; 7-5.

Doubles—Blanchard and St. Thomas (G) defeated Carey and Gallant (R) 6-2; 6-1. Jenks and Bull (G) defeated McMennamin and Matherson (R) 6-1; 6-1. Ireland and Brown (G) defeated Martin and Gamache (R) 6-1; 6-2.

Thursday, May 22, at 3 o'clock, Gould will play the second and last home match of the season against Wilton Academy. The remaining two matches after that will find the Gould Court Cluster traveling to Rumford and Wilton for return matches.

GOULD ACADEMY HONOR ROLLS ANNOUNCED

The following students have obtained an average rank of at least 80% in all their subjects for the last six weeks and have made the First Honor Roll: Seniors—Robert Clement; Juniors—Dorothy Fish, Fremont Ireland, Herbertina Norton, and Elmer Runyon; Sophomores—Rachel Gordon; Freshmen—Anna Aldrich, Peggy Cates, Barbara Coolidge, and Marilyn Marshall.

The following students have obtained an average rank of at least 85% in all their subjects for the last six weeks and have made the Second Honor Roll: Seniors—Amy Bennett, June Chipman, Jeanne Hall, Fern Lane, Lucia Packard, and Marion Wight; Juniors—Muriel Bean, Emma Blake, Elizabeth Gorman, Ruby Jewell, Alzena Lord, and Elizabeth Runyon; Sophomores—Louisa Bacon and Alice Bennett; Freshmen—Marilyn Abbott, Margaret Hanson, and Jeanette Sargent.

The following students have all subjects above 80% with an average of 85%, and have made the Privilege List: Post Graduates—Bernard Bartlett and Minot Clapp; Seniors—Amy Bennett, June Chipman, Robert Clement, Jeanne Hall, Fern Lane, Margaret Long, Lucia Packard, and Leslie Wight; Juniors—Nicholas Amato, Muriel Bean, Emma Blake, Jane Chesley, Dorothy Fish, Elizabeth Gorman, Fremont Ireland, Ruby Jewell, Alzena Lord, Susie Lovejoy, Herbertina Norton, Elmer Runyon, Elizabeth Runyon, Ruth Walker, and Helen Williamson; Sophomores—Louisa Bacon, Alice Bennett, Nora Chipman, Ida Lee Clough, Rachel Gordon, Richard Jordan, Geneva Lane, Jean Tirrell, Marion Waterhouse, and Winfield Wight; Freshmen—Marilyn Abbott, Anna Aldrich, Francis Berry, Peggy Cates, Margaret Chaffee, Annita Coolidge, Barbara Coolidge, Deborah Farwell, Francis Gilman, Margaret Hanson, Marilyn Marshall, Alice Pierce, Jeannette Sargent, and Marcia Smith.

WEST BETHEL HAS HOBBY SHOW

There was a very good attendance at the Hobby Show at West Bethel Grange Hall Tuesday afternoon and evening. This was sponsored by the Grange and \$8.40 was cleared after all expenses were paid. Mrs. Ben Billings and Mrs. Annie Bryant of Bryant Pond acted as judges and ribbons were awarded as follows:

First Prize: pitchers, Nellie Seabury; velvet quilt, Bertha Mundt; stamps, Mary Richardson; dogs, Donald Lord; miniatures, Jane Smith; minerals, Reginald Kneeland; perfume bottles, Colleen Bennett; miniature pitchers, Doris Lord; buttons, Lillian Lovejoy; bells, Stanley Davis; wooden articles, Roland Kneeland; candle sticks, Clare Smith.

Second Prize: ash, trays, Ralph Burris, moth and butterfly assortment, Arthur Gilbert; postmarks, Olive Head; stamps, John Head; cats, Janice Lord; campaign buttons, Albert Smith; campaign buttons, Charles Smith; Lincoln head pennies, Charles Smith; airplanes, Joseph Kneeland; airplanes, Lindsey Dorey; salt and peppers, Mrs. Herbert Rowe, vases, Elsie Davis.

Third Prize: paper napkins, Mary Kneeland; paper napkins, Patricia Rolfe; stamps, Colleen Bennett; old cups and saucers, Estella Goodridge; braided and hooked rugs, Bertha Mundt; braided rugs, Ada Rolfe; stamps, Carroll Fitzgerald; paper weights, Mrs. Dana Morrill.

Honorable Mention: toys, Arthur Head; baskets, Olive Head; milk bottles, Grace Brown; group of daguerreotypes, Mrs. Dana Morrill; scrapbooks and souvenir folders, Olive Head; Florida bugs, Shirley Gilbert; genealogy wheel, postmarks and keys, Mrs. W. A. Richardson, match covers, Albert Smith; napkins, Ruth McInnis, Lois McInnis and Colleen Bennett; dogs, Carroll Fitzgerald; match covers and stamps, Gilbert LeClair; knickknacks, Clare Smith.

Refreshments of sandwiches, cake, tea, coffee, hot chocolate and ice cream were served during the afternoon.

MRS. OWEN DEMERITT

Mrs. Lucy Demeritt, wife of C. Owen Demeritt, died at her home on Mechanic Street Sunday evening after an illness of several weeks.

Mrs. Demeritt was born in Bethel, Nov. 29, 1877, the daughter of Nathaniel and Lucy Coburn Barker, and had lived in this vicinity all her life. She was an active member of Sunset Rebekah Lodge and attended the Congregational Church. She received her education at Gould Academy.

Besides her husband, she is survived by one son, Charles Demeritt of North Waterford; three daughters, Mrs. Mildred Farrar of Randolph, N. H., Mrs. Cora Bennett of Boston, Mass., and Mrs. Louise Smith of Bethel; a brother John Barker of Rumford; four grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at her home Wednesday afternoon. Rev. M. A. Gordon officiating. Members of Sunset Rebekah Lodge attended in a body. Interment was at Mt. Will Cemetery.

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BETHEL POST OFFICE SOON TO BE IN NEW QUARTERS

Preparations are now being made for the removal of the Bethel post office across Main Street to the space formerly occupied by J. P. Butts' hardware store. It is expected that alterations will be completed so that the transfer may be made within a few weeks.

BETHEL P. T. A. MEETING

A meeting of the Parent Teacher Association was held at the Legion Rooms Monday evening. The nominating committee reported and the following officers were elected for next year: President, Mrs. Arthur Cutler; vice-president, Miss Maxine Clough; secretary, Mrs. Stanley Wentzell; treasurer, Mrs. Ernest Bisbee. It was voted to purchase a baton for the Grammar School band and to pay the registration for nine members of the band at the State Music Festival, as well as the expenses of their leader, Miss Virginia Walcott. In place of the program, the members of the band were measured for uniforms, which were cut out under the supervision of Mrs. Iola Forbes.

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Jack Maguire was given a party at his home Monday afternoon in honor of his tenth birthday. Refreshments were served by Mrs. John K. Maguire and Miss Sara Flaherty. Those present besides the honor guest were Edward Little, David Bennett, Wayne Bennett, Laurice Lord, Richmond Davis, Richard Ireland, Robert Croteau, Laurence Bennett and Jerry Davis.

Edward Little Jr. was given a surprise party Wednesday evening. A supper was enjoyed at the Pinnacle, given by his mother. Those present were Gilbert LeClair, Francis Berry, Leland Brown, Richard Bryant, Jackie Maguire, Richard Hutchinson, Earle Hutchinson, Robert Greenleaf, and Harold Connor.

Purity Chapter, O. E. S., met last Wednesday evening preceded by a 6:30 supper. The degrees were conferred upon two candidates. Mrs. Ordell Anderson was elected proxy for the Grand Chapter session. It was announced that the Ways and Means Club will meet at Mrs. Arthur Cutler's camp, Song Pond, May 21, for a pot luck supper followed by a meeting and games.

At the budget supper held at the Methodist Church Friday evening, Rev. M. A. Gordon gave a financial report of the past year and told of his trip to the State Conference at Caribou. H. I. Bean of the financial board made and distributed budget envelopes, and pledges were given for the year.

OXFORD COUNTY UNITED PARISH NEWS NOTES

This Thursday, May 15th, there will be an Albany Circle in the Church Vestry. Next Sunday the Albany Church will again worship in the Church and the time will be 11:30 a. m. Friday evening the Lovell Circle will serve supper and the Pilgrim Fellowship will sell candy. At both the Albany and Lovell suppers Miss Allen a worker in the Southern mountain field will speak.

Sunday the 18th is Rural Life Sunday and it will be observed in the Parish by special services, by inviting the Granges of the Parish to attend Church in a body. Monday evening the 19th the Lovell Men's Club will meet for the last session of this year. Pictures will be shown.

Circles coming the week of the 18th: Supper will be served in No. Waterford on Tuesday the 20th; and in East Stoneham Thursday the 22nd.

Advance notice. A Pilgrim Fellowship party is planned for Friday the 23rd.

18 PAST MASTERS CONFERRED DEGREE

Bethel Lodge, No. 97, F. and A. M., observed Past Masters' Night at its meeting last Thursday evening. Supper was served by the served by the Ways and Means Club of Purity Chapter, O. E. S.

The meeting was unique in that all 18 living Past Masters were present and took part, conducting the meeting and conferring the degrees upon two candidates. The officers were filled as follows: W. M., Clarence Hall; S. W., R. R. Tibbets; J. W., Thomas Brown; treasurer, Eugene Van Den Kerckhoven; secretary, Ernest Bisbee; S. D., Arthur Cutler; J. D., H. Merton Farwell; S. S., Edward P. Lyon; J. S., Dellison Conroy; chaplain, Leslie Davis; marshal, Earl Davis. Others assisting were Dr. E. L. Brown, John Harrington, Fred Merrill, D. Grover Brooks, David Forbes, Floyd Mason and Fred Hall.

BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin French were in Errol Sunday.

Clarence Judkins has returned from St. Petersburg, Fla.

Mrs. Arthur Fogg is a patient at the St. Louis Hospital, Berlin.

Mrs. Grace Swan has been confined to her home with illness.

Frank Hunt has purchased the Blake property on Spring Street.

Miss Mary Sanborn of South Portland spent the week-end at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. William Zintl and Carey York spent a few days last week fishing at Rangeley.

Mrs. Stanley P. Bartlett of Lewiston is a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Farwell.

William Zintl went to Whitefield, N. H., Sunday, where he has employment for the summer.

Mrs. Marjorie Coombs of Mechanic Falls is this week's guest of her sister, Mrs. Jack Gill.

Among those who have had the mumps the past week are Arthur Gibbs and Miss Carolyn Wight.

Mrs. Milton Pratt is spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rony, in Portland.

Mrs. M. O. Millett and daughter Irene of West Paris visited Mr. and Mrs. Guy Swan one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Jodrey and Miss Ruby Jodrey attended the Science lecture at Portland Sunday.

Norma Cross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Cross, received a deep cut on the back of the leg Tuesday.

Miss Esther Burras spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Gordon Lathrop, and family at Modoc.

Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Sanborn and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hamlin were in Berlin recently to see Frank Hamlin, who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Lapham and Mr. and Mrs. William Poole of Oxford were calling on friends in town Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Brown and son Carlton went to Old Orchard Sunday, where Mr. Brown has employment for the summer.

Mrs. Alice S. Sparrow of Orleans, Mass., has returned home after spending several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Charles C. Kimball, and husband.

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BOOKS

In this issue, see the list of 24 books, which we offer at only 49c each—your choice of one or all at this low price. We have on hand a few of the more popular numbers. Call and see them at

THE CITIZEN OFFICE

FRYEBURG 9—GOULD 8

Goould lost another tough game when they traveled to Fryeburg Wednesday. The team rather went through the motions for eight innings only to come abruptly to life in the ninth when the score was 7-1 against them and score seven runs to take an 8-7 lead. This was not enough, however, as in the last of the ninth Fryeburg was handed the game through three errors made by inexperienced men inserted in the Gould infield.

In that exciting ninth inning Perry walked, Crockett singled, and, after Clough had struck out, Jenks lined a long home run deep into centerfield to make the score 7-4. Robertson continued the assault with a single, Morton whiffed, Coolidge was hit by a pitch, Farrington walked, and, with the bases loaded, Amato drove a triple to right to tie up the score at 7 all. Amato later scored as the shortstop fumbled Perry's grounder.

Jenks allowed the strong-hitting Fryeburg team only five safeties, and, if he had extended himself throughout the game, might have enjoyed even more success. The team, however, made more errors in this game than they had compiled in the three previous games and didn't offer particularly good support. The team spirit was much improved and with a little more work some very interesting games can be anticipated when they meet Norway here May 31 and Fryeburg June 4. Next Wednesday they travel to South Paris for a return engagement.

FRYEBURG (9)	ab	h	e	a
Hammond, 2b	3	1	1	2
Merrifield, lf, p	5	1	1	0
Sargent, cf	5	3	1	0
Doughty, ss	4	0	1	4
Haley, 1b	4	1	15	1
Gilpatrick, 3b	4	0	0	3
Stearns, rf	4	1	0	0
Murch, c	3	0	8	0
Locke, p	4	0	0	4
Elr, lf	0	0	0	0
	36	7	27	14

GOULD (8)	ab	h	e	a
Amato, lf	5	1	3	0
Perry, c	3	0	6	0
Crockett, cf	5	2	0	0
Clough, ss	4	0	1	2
Jenks, p	4	1	0	7
Robertson, 2b	4	1	2	4
Ireland, 1b	3	0	12	0
Morton 1b	1	0	2	0
Coolidge, rf	3	1	0	3
Berry 3b	2	0	0	2
Farrington, 3b	1	0	0	0
	36	6	26	13

Runs Hammond 2, Merrifield 2, Sargent 3, Doughty 2, Amato Perry Crockett Jenks Robertson Coolidge 2, Farrington Errors Hammond, Doughty Stearns Murch Locke, Clough, Robertson Farrington. Home run Jenks. Passed ball Murch. Double plays Gilpatrick to Haley to Doughty. Wild pitch: Jenks 2, Locke. Base on ball: Off: Locke 3, Jenks 5. Struck out by: Jenks 9, Locke 7. Hit by pitcher by Locke 2. Winning pitcher Merrifield.

SURPRISE SHOWER

A surprise shower was given for Miss Dorothy Hanson Tuesday evening in honor of her approaching marriage by Miss Margaret Lundy and Mrs. Elwood Ireland at Mrs. Ireland's home. After gifts were presented, cards were enjoyed and refreshments served.

Those present besides the honor guest and the hostesses were Miss Margaret Stevens, Miss Margery Bailey, Miss Elizabeth Murch, Mrs. Edmond Vachon, Miss Harriet Durkee, Miss Mary Soule, Miss Ann Griggs, Miss Sarah Staples, Mrs. Wilbur Myers, Mrs. Ordell Anderson, Mrs. Clayton Fossatt, Miss Esther Burris and Mrs. Edward Hanson. Mrs. F. E. Hanson and Miss Margaret Hanson were unable to attend.

Mrs. N. E. Doane of Mechanic Falls is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. S. Jodrey.

The SNAPSHOT GUILD

CONTINUITY IN THE ALBUM

A FAMILY album is a family history—or should be—and for that very reason a well-kept, well-filled album is one of the most treasured family possessions. The pictures need not be works of art—if they simply provide a clear-cut record of the family's life, its members and its activities, that is sufficient.

Any first-rate album picture tells you a number of things. It is like a news item, whose first paragraph gives the "who, what, when, where, why, and how" of an event. If your album pictures answer these questions, or most of them, they will be thoroughly satisfactory.

Every good, clear picture tells "who"—you can easily recognize the people in it. It may also tell "where"—by including a familiar, recognizable scene. However, the "when" is sometimes missing. The subjects' costumes may indicate it, in a general way—but you should also note down the date under the picture when you place it in the album.

Often, too, pictures don't explain "why" or "how." Why was the picture taken? What was going on? If you were on an outing, why don't the pictures show what you did? Every good picture tells a story—and this is especially important in family album shots.

Continuity is important, too. The album is a continued story, day to day and year to year. Don't leave broad gaps in it—include the everyday happenings as well as the big family events. If you have children, include a month-to-month record of their growth—with a familiar background as a "measuring rod." And arrange the pictures in proper order as you take them, so the story will run smoothly.

I have a friend who maintains his album in this manner. First, he shoots at least one roll of family pictures every single week—sometimes more, but always a minimum of one full roll.

Then he sets aside one half-hour each week for the album. He inserts the new pictures in their proper places—writes the date under each—adds any explanation that's needed—and the job is done. It takes but a short time, yet it keeps his album neat, complete, and strictly up-to-date.

There's a lot of satisfaction in



"Growing-up" shots, such as this, lend continuity to an album. Take them frequently—put a "story" into each of your other album shots—and write the date under each one.

such a "family history book"—and you can have one just as easily as anybody else. All you need is to put in a few odd minutes each week, and arrange your snapshots according to an orderly plan.

Pictures in correct order—with the date and any other information under each one—and a "story" in every shot. That's the formula for a useful, informative album that you will treasure in years to come—and now is the time to start keeping your album along those lines.

John van Guilder

GREENWOOD TUBBS

Mrs. Homer Farnum and daughter Mary of Bryant Pond spent Tuesday with Bessie Ring.

Mrs. Jennie Jacobson and daughter, Lyril, spent the week end at their home here.

Lottie Yates and Inez Ring were in Norway Wednesday forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Eino Kangas and children and Howard Hill were in Bethel Tuesday evening and called on Mrs. Jack McMillin and family.

Mrs. Montie Millett and daughter, Irene, spent last week in Locke Mills visiting friends and relatives.

Lena Kangas and children spent Thursday with her mother, Lottie Yates.

Lottie Yates spent Friday with Ida Emmons.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenwood Yates and Lottie Yates were in Norway Saturday night and attended the movies.

Mona Farnum spent the week end at Beale Rings. Mr. and Mrs. Farnum called Sunday night to get her.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Yates and three girls spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Eino Kangas; and Ulla Pulkkinen and Eino Kangas were Sunday dinner guests.

Callers at Will Yates Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Yates and children of Greene, Mr. and Mrs. Eino Kangas and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenwood Yates and

baby, Bessie Ring and children, and Mona Farnum.

Mr. and Mrs. Montie Millett and daughter spent Sunday in Rumford.

Mrs. Willie Heikkinen and daughter, Aino Jacobson and children spent Sunday evening at Mr. and Mrs. Glenwood Yates.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NEWS

JACKSON-SILVER UNIT NO. 68—

There will be a meeting of the Unit at the home of Mildred Cummings, President, Friday evening, May 16. There will be election of officers.

The District meeting in Farmington May 6 was outstanding with its memorial service for the deceased Gold Star Mothers and the honoring of the living Gold Star mothers. There were four who were able to attend and they were presented corsages and gifts by Department President Mary Milliken in behalf of the Second District. Appropriate cards were mailed to the remaining twenty-three in this district. The American Legion's State Child Welfare Chairman, Mrs. Blanche Hume, of Millinocket spoke on her program. Eight Units were represented. The next meeting is in Sabbath the evening of May 24 and a seranbook made by the veterans in the Tugus Hobby Shop will be the mileage prize.

Thursday, May 8, the Post's Brigade was host to the Battalion Drill at West Paris. Department Commander, Paul Jullien was thrilled at this display of Americanism, and praised Oxford County for this accomplishment. County Commander A. R. Cummings joined him and they went to Bethel to the National Defense meeting there.

Comrade and Mrs. Alanson Cummings and Junior member Cathryn Cummings, Mrs. Ruth Dorian and her three children and Mrs. Coolidge were at Tugus Sunday, Hospital Day. Oranges and cigars were taken to Comrade Dorian who has been there five weeks. Mrs. Cummings helped serve.

Oxford County Council will meet in Oxford May 20 and there will be election of officers.

Comrade and Mrs. Alanson Cummings were special agents at the "Governors Night" meeting in Sanford, May 9. Legion and auxiliary members attended from all over the State.

NAPOLÉON OUELETTE UNIT

Saturday, May 17th will be observed as Poppy Day by Rumford Legion Unit. Beatrice McDonnell, chairman assisted by Agnes Bradley, Agnes Dorion, Lottie M. Withers, Corinne Boutte, Lola Green, Iva Stetson and other members will sell 2,500 in Mexico and Rumford.

Mrs. John Leino and children spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. Glen Yates.

Colby Ring and daughter Hope, and Norma and Bessie Ring were in Norway Saturday afternoon.

MIDDLE INTERVALE

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Buck and family visited his mother, Mrs. Leona Buck, Sunday.

Mrs. Lillian Vail spent one day last week with her mother, Mrs. Leona Buck.

Hoyt Gunther has moved his family back to their camp here.

Ernest Swan has moved his family to Dixfield where he has employment. Carey Stevens helped him move.

Ronald Stevens was in Norway one day last week.

Ernest Swan and family and Mrs. Leona Stevens were in Berlin, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stevens and Dorothy Edwards were in Berlin Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker visited their daughter, Mrs. Augustus Carter, and family recently.

ROWE HILL

Rodney Hanscom of Bethel spent Saturday night with Ray Hanscom. Sunday visitors at N. A. Bryants were Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Lang and son, Merle.

Miss Hene Ring is visiting in Portland for a few days.

Ronald Brooks is staying with his father, Ernest Brooks.

Ray Hanscom was in Newry, Sunday.

WILSON'S MILLS

Evelyn Olson is keeping house and tending the two little children for Frank Marriner while his wife is in Berlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Jordan are keeping house in Mr. Emerson's night camp in Magalloway.

There was quite a crowd out for Grange meeting, Thursday night.

Carl Littlehale, who is working in Bath was home over the week end.

Hazel West has returned to Stratton, where she has employment for the summer as kitchen and cabin girl.

Urtle (Red) Hutchins of Wiscasset was a week end visitor at Floyd West's returning by way of Stratton and Bingham.

There seems to be a lot of fishermen passing with their boats for so early in the season.

Paul West, who has been in a hospital in Boston for a serious operation, returned home Thursday night.

Mrs. Philip West will go to Lewistown Tuesday and stay awhile where she can be near a doctor for treatment.

SOUTH BETHEL

Clifton Brown has moved to Upton where he has employment with Leslie Davis.

Ronald Brooks has bought a truck of Chadbourne.

Floyd Rider and family visited at his old home on Paris Hill over the week end.

Joseph Leonard has been visiting the past week at Irving Cutting's on Paris Hill.

Those that have been having mums in this place lately are Charles, Blanch, Verna, Evelyn, Alice, and Kenneth Mason. Two children of Alfred Mason, Guy Parker and wife, Barbara and Fannie Buckman and Frank Brooks; and several at Charles Melvin's.

Hoyt Gunther has moved to Bethel.

Roland Hatfield has moved his camp to the John Swan place.

Gurtrude Mason and Muriel Vashaw were home over the week end from their work in Greenwood.

Francis and Ronald Brooks have gone to Greenwood to board with their father for two weeks.

Peter Francis and wife of Biddeford was making calls in this place one day last week.

WEST GREENWOOD

Rev. Mr. Gordon was making calls in this vicinity one day last week.

Miss Ruth Cummings is working for her grandmother, Mrs. Lincoln Cummings.

Perley Raimy and son, Charles, returned home from Boston, his other son, Teddy, came back with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Cotton and children of Mechanic Falls called on Mrs. Richard Carter Sunday.

Mrs. Walter Brown of Grover Hill was the guest of her sister Mrs. Alden Wilson, Monday.

Mrs. Alden Wilson and children called on Mrs. Lizzie Vashaw one day last week.

Alden Wilson has been plowing for Richard Carter.

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IGA

WHEAT PUFFS 2 pkgs. 13c

IGA

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WHEAT FLAKES 2 pkgs. 17c

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COCOA 1 lb. can 15c

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IGA

ROLLED OATS 1 lb. pkg. 17c

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TEA 1/2 lb. pkg. 25c

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2 1 lb. bags 27c

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IGA

SOAP GRAINS 1 lb. pkg. 15c

IGA Quality

GRAPEFRUIT 3 cans 29c

Foss' Pure

VANILLA 2 oz. bot. 25c

Clover

SLICED BACON 1 lb. 27c

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	S 9:00	12:05	6:00	11:00
WGY	D 7:30	12:00	6:00	11:00
	S 11:00			11:00
WJZ	D 7:55	12:25	6:00	11:00
	S 11:00	6:00		
WDRC	D 7:55	1:00	6:00	11:00
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WBZ-A	D 7:00	12:00	6:00	11:00
	S 11:00	4:30		
WCSH	D 7:15	12:15	6:45	
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A. R. WATLY, Manager

Household News

by Lynn Chambers

COMMENCEMENT TIME

You can't believe it, can you? Susie is graduating from high school!

In between putting the final stitches on her organdy dress and entertaining visiting friends and relatives, are you going to try to find time to give her a party?

Please do. To her, it's a very important time, and she'll undoubtedly remember the gang's "last real get-together" for the rest of her life.

Why not a buffet supper? What with wars raging elsewhere, you might play up the patriotic theme in decorations, refreshments and entertainment.

Use a white tablecloth, dotted with red and blue stars, and matching napkins—they're inexpensive and colorful. To top this off, use a trio of star-shaped red, white and blue candles for a centerpiece.

It won't be necessary for you to do much, except, of course, prepare the food. Games and chatter will fill up the evening. But remember that you have as guests youngsters, with appetites. They like second helpings.

Serve an appetizer, one hot dish, plenty of salad and hot rolls, more cake or ice cream than you think you will possibly need, and flatter their sense of sophistication by offering second cups of coffee.

A fortune telling cake is always fun when the crowd is young and merry. You can write fortunes on slips of paper, roll them and wrap them in bits of waxed paper, and put them in the cake after it is baked. Another idea is to put in a little trinket for each guest—an engagement ring and a wedding ring, to forecast the first engagement and the first marriage; a key for happiness; a bean for industry; a toy soldier and so forth.

*Good Fortune Cake.

2 cups sifted cake flour
2 teaspoons double-acting baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
3/4 cup butter or other shortening
1 cup sugar
3 egg yolks, well beaten
1/2 cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
3 egg whites, stiffly beaten
Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and salt, and sift together three times. Cream butter thoroughly, add sugar gradually, and cream together until light and fluffy. Add egg yolks, then flour, alternately with milk, a small amount at a time. Beat after each addition until smooth. Add vanilla and fold in egg whites. Bake in two greased 9-inch layer pans in moderate oven (375 degrees) 25 to 30 minutes. Double the recipe to make three 10-inch layers. Spread chocolate or maple frosting between layers and on top and sides of cake.

*Spiced Coffee.

6 cups decaffeinated coffee
1/2 cup whipping cream, whipped
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg

Top each cup of coffee with a spoonful of whipped cream into which the spices have been folded. Sugar may be served with the coffee, if desired. You can use your favorite method of making the coffee.

THIS WEEK'S MENU

Graduation Party
All-American Appetizers
*Americana Salad
*Clover Leaf Rolls
*Veal on Skewers
*Good Fortune Cake
*Ice Cream
*Spiced Coffee
*Recipes given.

LYNN SAYS:

Games may or may not be the type of entertainment your crowd will enjoy. Just in case—here are a few suggestions:

As soon as guests arrive, they receive a card with the name of a food printed on it. Each player must then find someone with the card with the name that combines with the name on his own card. Suggested names are liver and bacon; apple pie and cheese; sauerkraut and wieners; brown bread and baked beans; ham and eggs; bread and butter; doughnuts and coffee; steak and onions; hot dogs and mustard. This game may be used in choosing supper partners.

Sardine—Some guest is chosen to be "It," and is given five minutes to hide in a spot large enough to hold several people. At the end of five minutes everyone else goes in search of "It." When one guest finds "It" he hides in the same spot and before long the hiding place is packed. The first person unable to squeeze in is "It."

tee, with regular grind for percolated or boiled coffee and drip grind for drip or glass maker. Allow a heaping tablespoon for each cup. And if you "perk" it, give it a few minutes extra brewing to bring out its full flavor.

Now that I've made suggestions for dessert, I'll go back to the real beginning of your party.

One first glance at the salad will bring an enthusiastic response from the crowd. Illustrated in the picture at the top of the column, it is called

*Americana Salad.

1 envelope unflavored gelatin
1/2 cup cold water
2 cups tomatoes
3 whole cloves
1 small bay leaf
1 small onion, chopped
1/2 teaspoon thyme
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon sugar
1/2 teaspoon pepper or paprika
3 tablespoons vinegar

Stir gelatin and cold water together. Let stand at least 3 to 5 minutes. Meanwhile simmer tomatoes with seasonings in a covered container for 10 to 15 minutes. Strain and add vinegar. Dissolve the softened gelatin in this mixture, and pour into one large mold, and chill until firm. When it has set and is ready to serve, it is divided into two squares with layers which are joined together with a filling of cream cheese. A cream cheese star decorates the top. This recipe makes 6 portions.

Now for something truly different in the way of a hot dish—

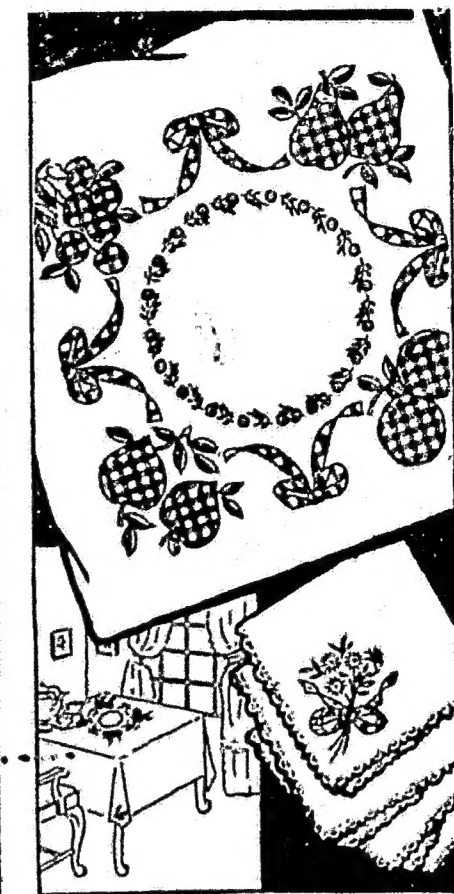
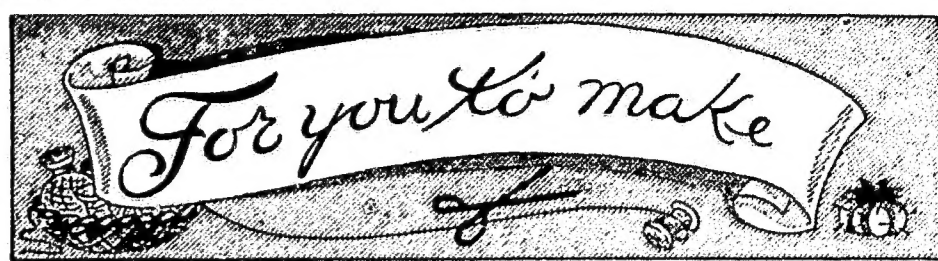
*Veal on Skewers

Cut boneless veal in pieces 1 1/2 inches square by about 3/4 inch thick. Stick on 8-inch metal skewers, alternating meat with slightly smaller peeled potato halves or cubes, chunks of carrot, and whole small white onions. Lay skewers in roasting pan, add 1 cup hot water, and salt. Cover and bake in hot oven (450 degrees F.) for 1 hour, reduce heat to 350 degrees F., add more water if needed. Bake about 30 minutes longer, or until tender. Garnish with broiled bacon.

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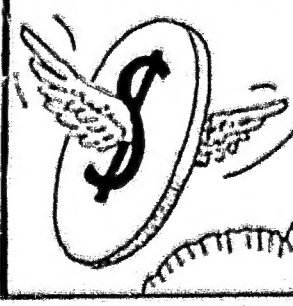
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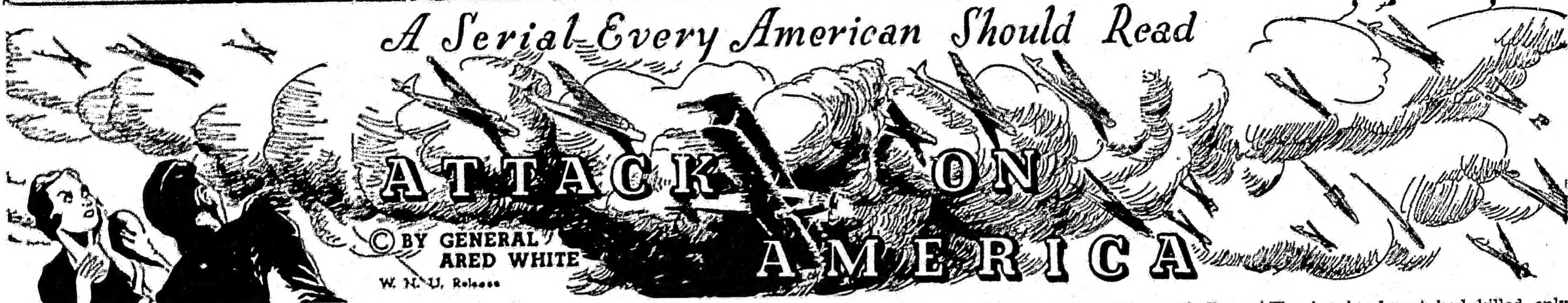
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INSTALLMENT X

As the commanders scattered toward their station wagons and military sedans, the bright sky festered into a hideous hiss of sound. It came crashing in out of the distance. The ear could trace its course as it settled toward the earth.

An instant's silence and the ground trembled under the impact of high explosive. A geyser of muddy brown earth shot skyward, the air filled with the mighty detonation.

The departing commanders gave an anxious look at the spot of dirt, but changed neither gait nor posture. General Mole calmly touched a match to the stub of his cigar and gave several vindictive puffs.

"Well, there's the first shot," he muttered. "Sounded to me like a long-range baby—probably from twenty or thirty miles."

An observation plane radioed in the information. Van Hassek's heavy artillery had set up north of the Nueces. Mole offered no comment. There was nothing he could do about it until the enemy came within range of his howitzers. His own 105-millimeter cannons, good for fifteen miles, had yet to be molded, mounted, tested, and delivered to the Army.

As for his airplanes, there was no taking further risks over Van Hassek's moving columns. It didn't matter that the air service had sent in the crack combat groups from all three of its powerful wings. Nor that American pilots and gunners had proved themselves this morning much more than a match for the Van Hassek airmen.

The American squadrons had paid a heavy price for their swoops against Van Hassek's invaders. Into one anti-aircraft trap after another the Americans had fallen. Heavy caliber anti-aircraft machine guns, 40-millimeter, 60-millimeter guns, that reached long miles into the sky, had taken a toll of a score of planes. The American fighting planes had been reduced to missions of opportunity, limited to attacks on enemy groups and squadrons that ventured beyond the protecting muzzles of their anti-aircraft guns.

The first big shell fell in an empty field well back from the Second's front lines. A second shot followed quickly, and the business of long-range cannonading settled down into glum, racking routine. From a range of approximately twenty-two miles, observation reported The Van Hassek columns were still rolling forward in a great, tortuous martial serpent whose tail reached far back across the Rio Grande into Mexico.

The ten thousand men of the division worked feverishly through the hot afternoon, deepening and extending their trenches, adjusting gun positions. They pretended indifference to the roar of Van Hassek's artillery, to the frequent spitting fountains of earth that rose hideously about them. In mid-afternoon one shell caught a full squad of men who in a flash were shreds of flesh.

A stark reminder of what was to come. But the men who saw this tragedy went stubbornly on with their work. When the positions were completed, fields of fire organized, mutual support coordinated within company, battalion, and regimental sectors, the men bled about, chatting away over the impotence of their own artillery to return the fire. Another shell had obliterated three men. A third had fallen on a howitzer position, killed one man and put a 105-millimeter gun out of commission.

Out of the distance came the rumble of light American artillery. It was from a single battery of the 12th Field that was part of a mobile fighting group, comprising a battalion of

THE STORY SO FAR: Intelligence Officer Benning's warning that 200,000 foreign troops were poised in Mexico for an attack on the United States caused grave concern in army headquarters, but the people branded the statement as "war mongering." He had just returned from Mexico City where

he had acted as a spy and gained the confidence of Fincke and Bravot, two enemy officers. Suddenly four large southern cities were attacked from the air; Washington was bombed and the President killed. National forces were ordered mobilized, but they were ill equipped for immediate action. General

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Firing broke out to the north and south on the extreme flanks. At the division command post Mole and his staff waited on these actions with tense nerves. Three o'clock was near. If Van Hassek's invaders could be delayed much longer, they would not be able to deliver their attack in force against the Second before daybreak.

The afternoon dragged on in an agony of tension. Five o'clock passed before the reconnaissance combat battalions came dashing through the outpost lines under cover of protecting squadrons of fighting planes. They had forced three successive enemy deployments. Their losses ran under eighty men for the three groups.

General Mole and his staff made an estimate of the situation. Mole's faded face brightened in a moment's exultation as his staff unanimously agreed with his own deduction. The Van Hassek commanders would not be able to attack now until morning. Their advanced divisions had not even started into assembly areas for battle deployment.

"That means we've delayed them one day without a fight," Mole exclaimed. "It gives us a real chance of getting through tomorrow without getting blown out of our shoes. After that—we will see what we will see. But what a hell of a pounding we're in for tonight, without any anti-aircraft and long range artillery!"

When the hot Texas sun slipped down to the horizon through the haze in the west, a furious roar of motors swept the Second Division. The flight of enemy attack planes, flying an altitude of less than five hundred feet, struck with the sharp bite of forked lightning.

There were six planes in the flight, echeloned in sections of three, and they attacked with the paralyzing shock of complete surprise. Rifle-men and machine gunners floundered into action, but only in time to send scattering fusillades after planes that flashed in the distance.

Over the 9th Infantry's sector the attack planes appeared close enough to be hit with a hand grenade. Men gaped after the apparition, or ducked into their holes in the ground against the menace of fragmentation bombs. But there came no explosion. The enemy had not opened up with their machine guns.

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out of position. A noncom caught the answer as his eyes burned into tears.

"Dear gas!" he shouted.

The sector commander cursed again and trotted off to the left, imparting a show of deliberation to his gait. Gas officers were making their calculations of what appeared a new gas. Scores of men, afflicted with a lachrymation and burns that might extend over several days, would have to be evacuated to the hospital at San Antonio for treatment.

Overhead the American aviation was redoubling its efforts. The 33d Pursuit Squadron was hawking over the sector. The 77th Pursuit Squadron was patrolling to the front. That audacious attack flight of Van Hassek's had used its heels to get away intact. The American pilots were sharply alert against a second such surprise. Reinforcements flew up from Kelly Field.

Overhead the American aviation was redoubling its efforts. Pursuit and observation squadrons had flown in from Louisiana and Virginia. Other planes were en route from California.

At the division command post, General Mole and his staff grimly watched the fading light of day. There was a tightening of tension throughout the sectors as dusk slowly engulfed them and deepened into night. Long-range artillery pounded away ineffectually, tearing great craters in the Second's artillery area and hitting near the division's main line of resistance, and back in the

Brill, commander of the army in Texas, reported to General Hague at Washington that he was opposed by greatly superior forces but was ordered to resist at all costs. General Mole, division commander, prepared to make the best of a desperate situation.

Now continue with the story.

bivouacs of the reserves. This told Mole that enemy observation planes had photographed his positions in detail—and confirmed the hint of what must be expected during the night.

Evident it was, as the enemy purpose unfolded itself, that Van Hassek did not mean to brook delay. With the preponderance of force held by his main Laredo column he had no need to wait. For that matter it hardly made sense, within the Van Hassek line of military reasoning, that the Second Division would commit the brass audacity of a serious fight in front of San Antonio. Withdrawal would be only the logical course for the Americans, and Van Hassek had no reason to expect anything more than a few holding battalions at daybreak, resistance that would roll up in a hurry and scatter before his massed assault waves.

"Bombers flying in, altitude between eight thousand and ten thousand feet!"

The warning came in from an observation plane a few minutes after nine o'clock. It merely confirmed Mole's fears. Fast on the heels of the warning came the devastating roar of a heavy bomb. The earth churned under the roar of successive explosions. A squadron of nine bombers, air service reported, using an estimated three-hundred-pound bomb which would have a fragmentation and shock effect. A second enemy squadron was reported flying in.

The warning buzzed out over the field wire to the sectors. Men were to take cover as best they could. More long-range artillery opened up. Night became another volcanic bedlam, the Second's position a raging inferno that drove men huddling into their holes to claw frantically under a maddening impulse to dig their way down, down out of it all. Attack flights roared over, released fragmentation bombs attached to parachutes—small bombs that exploded on coming to earth.

It confirmed Mole's theory that Van Hassek expected an American withdrawal. This enemy blow fell at exactly the hour the Second would be pulling out if such had been its intention.

In the 20th Infantry sector a bomb, estimated a six-hundred-pounder, fell in rear of a company position with a devastating force that reduced seventeen men to speechless, trembling impotence, though no man was wounded. Later they were reported slowly recovering their wits from the shock and were not evacuated.

Van Hassek's planes were operating without lights. American pursuit hawks buzzed about, but were ineffective in the darkness. Van Hassek's fury rose and fell intermittently, then slowly dwindled away into a mere barking of some long-range artillery that was pounding the roads into San Antonio.

The clash of musketry far out in front brought an anticlimax to the crimson hurricane. Van Hassek patrols were pressing the American outposts, seeking information of an American withdrawal that had not occurred. Half a dozen Van Hassek riflemen were gobbled up by the 9th Infantry outpost and shunted back for question.

Over the field wire, Mole's staff checked casualties at eleven o'clock.

The bombardment had killed only 71 men, wounded 142. Another 80 were numbed by shock. Three had been stripped of their wits and sent back, in driving madness, for evacuation.

Mole nodded his head approvingly at this small toll. It did not surprise him that he had lost so few men to the Van Hassek strafing. This was not Mole's first battle. In France he had learned how frugal can be the night's harvest of artillery and bombardment.

"I've been talking to Brill at San Antonio," Mole told his assembled staff when he had completed his newest estimate. "Fort Sam Houston took another air beating tonight. Our air service has been forced to abandon Kelly and Randolph Fields. Galveston got a dose of mustard gas tonight after our 69th Anti-Aircraft Regiment there shot down an enemy bomber. It's all unspeakably horrible—but my mind has had so many jolts I just can't feel things any longer."

General Mole staggered but caught himself. The light in his unquenchable eyes burned steady through the toxins of fatigue. There had been a lapse in his memory, now he picked up the gap.

"Yes, gentlemen, I mustn't forget the important thing. The 141st and 142d Texas Infantry regiments, seventy-two per cent mobilized, have trucked it into San Antonio and are moving out here tonight. They've also two battalions of their 131st Field Artillery."

"Put the Guard Infantry in reserve just south of San Antonio. Also keep the mechanized cavalry out to look after our flanks. I am going to turn in for some sleep, but don't hesitate to call me if anything important develops. Otherwise call me when the enemy preparation fire puts down on us in the morning. Good night, gentlemen."

CHAPTER XI

First Lieutenant Boynton, 9th Infantry, lay sprawled on the ground, his eyes strained into the first gray light of approaching dawn. Above the thunder of the enemy artillery preparation he could feel the pounding of his heart against the drums of his ear.

Behind that curtain of fire and thunder Boynton knew the Van Hassek Infantry was moving forward to the assault. From his position out in front of the American outpost line it was Boynton's job to discover the attack and fall back to the outpost with twenty riflemen of his who lay immediately behind him.

That roar of artillery consumed all existence as Van Hassek's high explosive shells hammered the Second Division's sectors from front lines to artillery positions.

Boynton's eyes caught an instant's glimpse of infantry, men silhouetted against the sheet-lightning of artillery flashes. Not more than a hundred yards away he estimated the enemy infantrymen. He slipped the safety lock of his service automatic and lifted the weapon in front of his face. His men, long tense and ready, fitted the butts of their new semi-automatic rifles against their shoulders and waited.

Like a ship looming suddenly out of a thick fog there came into view the weaving shadows that were the flesh and blood of moving infantry. A spurt of flame leaped from the muzzle of Boynton's pistol. It released the pent-up rage of twenty Garand rifles which sent a stream of lead pouring into those shadows of the night.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

TO THE SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF BETHEL, MAINE.

Central Maine Power Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Maine, and having its principal office and place of business in Augusta, in the County of Kennebec, in said State, and authorized to transmit and distribute electricity in the Town of Bethel, Maine, in accordance with the general statutes relating to that business, hereby petitions for permission, in accordance with law, to erect and maintain poles with cross-arms carrying wires, together with the necessary sustaining and supporting wires and fixtures required therefor, upon, and along the following named highways and public roads in said Town of Bethel:

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Upon the foregoing petition, it is

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in the Town of Bethel on Saturday,

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in the forenoon at which time and place residents and owners

of property upon the highways to be effected thereby shall

have full opportunity to show cause why such permit should not

be granted; and that public notice thereof

be given by publishing a copy of said petition, attested by

the town clerk, together with this order of notice thereon, once a

week for two successive weeks in the "Oxford County Citizen," a

newspaper printed in said town of Bethel, the last publication to be

fourteen days before said hearing.

ERNEST F. BISBEE

JOHN H. HOWE

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Selectmen

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Attest: Alice J. Brooks,

Town Clerk

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NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed Admr. of the estate of Sidney R. Howe, late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

Winfield S. Howe
Bethel, Maine.
Apr. 15th 1941. 20

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named: At a Probate Court, held at Paris in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty one, from day to day from the third Tuesday of said April. The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the published at Bethel, in said County, Oxford County Citizen a newspaper that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of May, A. D. 1941, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

William H. Crockett, late of Greenwood, deceased; Will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of Cora Mae Crockett as executrix of the same to act without bond as expressed in said Will, presented by the said Cora Mae Crockett, the executrix thereon named.

Susan B. Twitchell, late of Bethel, deceased; Petition for the appointment of Florence E. Twitchell as administratrix of the estate of said deceased, without bond, presented by Florence E. Twitchell, a sister. Witness, Harry B. Ayer, Acting Judge of said Court at Paris, this 15th day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-one.

20 EARLE R. CLIFFORD, Register

SCHOOL DAYS

By DWIG



EATIN' ON THE PORCH

WEST PARIS

Emery Ryerson, Jr. got a compound fracture of the arm and Frank Packard received cuts and bruises when thrown from the side of a truck on which they were riding when hanging Maybaskets Wednesday night. Both boys were taken to the Rumford Community Hospital. Packard returned that night, but Ryerson remained two days.

Mrs. Shirley Rose of Canton visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Welch, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Curtis entertained Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hammond, Mrs. Susie Walker, Miss Nellie Hammond of Gorham, N. H., Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Hollis who have spent the winter in Massachusetts with their daughter, Mrs. Elwood DeCosta, and family have returned home.

Mrs. Jennie Bates returned home from Zephyr Hills, Florida, Monday.

Mrs. Emma Berry of Norway is the guest of Miss Ella Curtis and Mrs. Ada Barden.

Mrs. Earle R. LaBay and Mr. and Mrs. John Dunham of Portland were in town Sunday to see Mrs. Ada Barden.

R. Howard Emery of Hebron Academy visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Emery over the week end.

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service was held at the Universalist Church Sunday morning. There were many beautiful memorial flowers. The large choir sang appropriate music and there was a duet by Mrs. Muriel Dyer and Miss Myrtle Emery and a solo by Mrs. Arline Farr. A delegation of men were present from Canton Point and several visitors from South

Paris. Fifteen women and two children enjoyed a pleasant meeting of the Good Will Society, Thursday at Miss Forbes. It was voted to hold a special all day session on Friday, May 16th.

Mrs. Iva Andrews has bought a house in Woodstock and moved from A. L. Abbott's rent.

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The Directors meeting of the Arthur L. Mann Memorial Library held their annual meeting, Monday, evening. The following committees were appointed: Librarian, Ruth A. Tucker; Asst. Librarian, Abbie Abbott; Book buying Com., Ruth Tucker, Abbie Abbott, Mrs. D. A. Grover, Clara Berry, Lyndall Farr; Social Comm., Hazel Perham, Jessie Abbott, Harlan Andrews, Muriel Dyer, Leone Penley, Alma Milkkinen.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Perham last Thursday. Mrs. Perham is at Mrs. Myrtle Perham's Maternity Home.

Mrs. Jennie Bates returned home Monday from Florida where she has been spending the winter. Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Grover came last week.

Memorial Sunday, May 25 will be a union service and Rev. H. A. Libby will be the speaker in the United Parish Church. Mr. Libby, who has been away for a year to remain in his health is coming home to stay, and will again take up the pastoral work. Mrs. Libby has been supplying in his absence all the year and has been quite efficient and endeared herself to the community as well as to her church people.

Baccalaureate Sunday will be held in the Universalist Church and will be held in the evening this year.

Ella Curtis and Mrs. Ada Barden received nineteen callers last Sunday. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jackson, Norway and Mrs. Emma Berry. Mrs. Berry remained for a longer visit. Also Mrs. Bardens brother from Portland, John Dunham and wife and her daughter, Mrs. Laura LaBay, who took her to Bryant Pond to see Mrs. Jennie Currier.

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THURSDAY, MAY 15, 1941

The Cotesville, Pennsylvania,
Record recently published a letter
written home by a young man who
had been taken into the army under
the selective service act. He said:
"We give up a year of our
lives, the comforts of homes, and
countless other things for barracks,
hard work and duty from sun-up
to sun-down. We do our part and
do it harder than anyone at home,
and yet it's the people at home who
are doing the kicking and squawking."

"They kick about wages and
squeal about hours, strike, threaten
to strike, tie up machinery, and
there you are. . . The people want
soldiers—millions of them. Yet
every day it's becoming apparent
that many of these same people
think more of a few cents an hour
than they do of their own children
and relatives."

It is interesting to know what
young men who are serving their
country in the army for less than
a dollar a day think of the highest
paid workmen in the world who
threaten to block defense production
unless they are paid still more.
How much longer will the American
people stand for this form of
sabotage?

Bethel's need for adequate air-
plane landing facilities still con-
tinues. And the daily reports of
hundreds of thousands of govern-
ment dollars to be spent in federal
and military airports do not help
this section any. With most peo-
ple thinking in the millions of dol-
lars, and a little knowledge of the
devious ways which must generally
be followed in securing local atten-
tion, most small town folk seem to
feel that an application for an ex-
travagant expenditure is not worth
while. In fact this may be quite
true, considering the requirements
which are likely to follow a federal
gift.

However, as the matter now
stands, we do not feel that Bethel
needs any \$500,000 airport. But for
the good of the communities here-
abouts, and for the good of the
general public, something should
be done to make possible safer and
well known and marked landing
places. There are many miles of
mountains near here, many towns
including Rumford where develop-
ment of a very good runway is
nearly impossible. But Bethel has
thousands of intervals acres which
could be easily adapted for ordinary
use, although subject to occasional
high water, and a field at West
Bethel which could be bought and
greatly improved at a very modest
outlay as modern figures go. In
fact a few weeks work with modern
equipment and a small crew should
make all necessary improvements.
Why not talk it over?

THE HITCH-HIKERS



40 years ago

Quoting THE BETHEL NEWS
Week by Week History in 1901

May 18, 1901

Walter S. Bailey of the firm of
F. O. Bailey & Co. of Portland was
in town today, to consider the ques-
tion of a vault for the Bethel Sav-
ings Bank with the officials.

Gould Academy—The suits for
the ball team arrived last Saturday,
and the boys appeared out in them
for practice the first of the week.
They are just the thing and im-
prove the looks of the team as a
whole. We wish to express our
thanks to the townsmen, who so
generously contributed for their
purchase.

Newry Corner—John Carlton will
have charge of the ferry opposite
the C. P. Bartlett place the present
season.—A family of seven Angora
goats have arrived at the farm of
H. S. Hastings, after a 3,000 mile
trip from New Mexico.

West Bethel—The repairs on the
mill of Merrill, Springer & Co. are
being pushed forward as fast as
possible. The new boiler is set and
they hope to have the machines
running by June 1, with L. E. Al-
len as engineer.

Mason—F. I. Bean finished saw-
ing birch Monday and has hired to
saw maple for Gilbert Mills to be
used for dowels and bobbins.

SCHOOL SAVINGS BANK

Week of May 12	Grade Savings	Bank Total	Per Cent
I	\$5.00	\$3.20	40
II	5.00	3.25	66
III	1.00	2.35	60
IV	1.00	3.40	67
	\$12.00	\$12.20	
V	\$3.00	\$2.55	85
VI	1.00	1.95	50
VII	2.00	2.60	53
VIII	2.00	1.40	50
	\$8.00	\$3.50	

Second and Fifth Grades have
banners.

One sees the past better than it
was. One finds the present worse
than it is. One hopes for a future
better than it will be.—Madame
D'Epinay.

There are moments of life that
we never forget, which brighten
and brighten as time steals away.
—J. G. Percival.

If we wish to be just judges of
all things, let us first persuade our-
selves of this: that there is not one
of us without fault; no man is
found who can acquit himself; and
he who calls himself innocent does
so with reference to a witness, and
not to his conscience.—Seneca.

EAST BETHEL

John Howe, Mr. and Mrs. Robert
Hastings and all the children of
both Hastings families were at the
camp on Umbagog Lake over the
week-end.

A box supper and dance were
held for the benefit of Alder Riv-
er Grange Friday evening. A tidy
sum was realized for the grange to
give to various charities.

Rodney Howe was in Portland
Sunday.

Laurence Tyler and Eugene
Burns were members of a party on
a deep sea fishing trip, Sunday.

East Bethel Cemetery Association
held an annual meeting at the
Grange Hall Monday evening with
a small attendance. Officers were
re-elected.

East Bethel Telephone and Tel-
egraph Company held its annual
meeting Tuesday evening with O.
B. Farwell re-elected President,
and Robert Hastings, Secretary and
Treasurer.

Mrs. Jorgen Olson, Mrs. John
Howe, and Isaac Demarche were
in Lewiston Tuesday. Mr. De
Marche remained at the C. M. G.
Hospital for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Noyes, Mrs.
George Haines and Mrs. Fred
Haines spent Monday in Lewiston.

Mrs. Carrie Bartlett, Mr. and
Mrs. Clifton Bean were at Urban
Bartlett's Sunday.

Donald Wing of Canton was at
his grandmother's, Mrs. Ida
Blake's, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bartlett
and two children were guests of
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bartlett from
Saturday until Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hutchinson of
Wilton and Mr. and Mrs. Roger
Swan of Dixfield were Sunday
guests of Mrs. Ida Blake.

Ernest Curtis of West Paris is a
guest of his brother, Carroll Curtis,
and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Noyes, Mari-
lyn and Carolyn Noyes, were at
Burton Abbott's on Grover Hill
Sunday.

Mrs. Granville Burns of Oxford
spent Friday with her mother, Mrs.
S. B. Newton.

Mrs. Haakon Olson of North
Newry was the guest of her par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Harring-
ton, over Friday night.

Mrs. Dana Harrington, Mrs.
Charles Smith and Mrs. Haakon
Olson spent Saturday in Lewiston.

O. B. Farwell and S. B. Newton
were in Portland Tuesday. Mrs.
Charles Reed accompanied them to
Gray where she was the guest of
friends for the day.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hastings
were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George
Cole in Greenwood City Sunday.

It is the hits that count, is the
motto of the United States Navy.
Any time that a ship of the United
States holds target practise and
gets less than fifty per cent hits, a
board of investigation is held to
ascertain the cause of the failure
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Book or Dictionary.

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The CITIZEN

WEST BETHEL

Leonard Cowan of Boston Uni-
versity conducted the services at
the church Sunday.

Cleve Kneeland and friend of Sa-
lem, Mass., spent several days with
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lovejoy recent-
ly.

A large crowd attended the dance
Friday night.

The Ladies' Aid will have a pub-
lic supper at the Grange Hall next
Friday evening, May 16, from 6
to 7:30. There will be a dance in
the evening.

Fifteen members were in attend-
ance at the regular meeting of
Pleasant Valley Grange. Officer
pro tem was Overseer, Gordon Ma-
son. Other officers absent were
Treasurer, Pomona and Flora. Next
meeting each member is asked to
answer roll call by describing a best
remembered scene.

Sarah Saunders spent Wednesday
with her son, Elmo, and family at
Northwest Bethel.

John Head and Adaline Stetson
are ill with the mumps.

The Weed Killers, local 4-H Club
for boys, met Wednesday evening
at the home of Edmund Smith.

School Notes

Primary School, 100% in Spelling
for week ending May 9. Grade III,
Charles Smith, Ronald Kendall,
Katherine Kimball, Burton Rolfe,
Elizabeth Davis, Arnold Dorey,
Maurice Coulombe, Edward Tib-
betts, John Head, Grade IV, Regi-
nald Kneeland, Donald Lord, Lois
McInnis, Joseph Kneeland, Donald
Bennett, Richard Rolfe.

Grammar School: Grade V, Mar-
vin Kendall, Grade VII, Colleen
Bennett, Albert Smith, William
Thibbetts.

In a five inning game Bethel
boys beat West Bethel 6-5 Monday
afternoon.

GREENWOOD CITY

Sunday guests at George Cole's
were Allen Colt of Mechanic Falls,
Mr. and Mrs. William Hastings and
family of East Bethel, Mr. and Mrs.
Lauri Tamminen and son of Yar-
mouth, and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford
Cole and children of Mechanic
Falls.

Ernest Curtis, who has been vi-
siting his brother at East Bethel,
is with his daughter, Mrs. Clyde
Morgan.

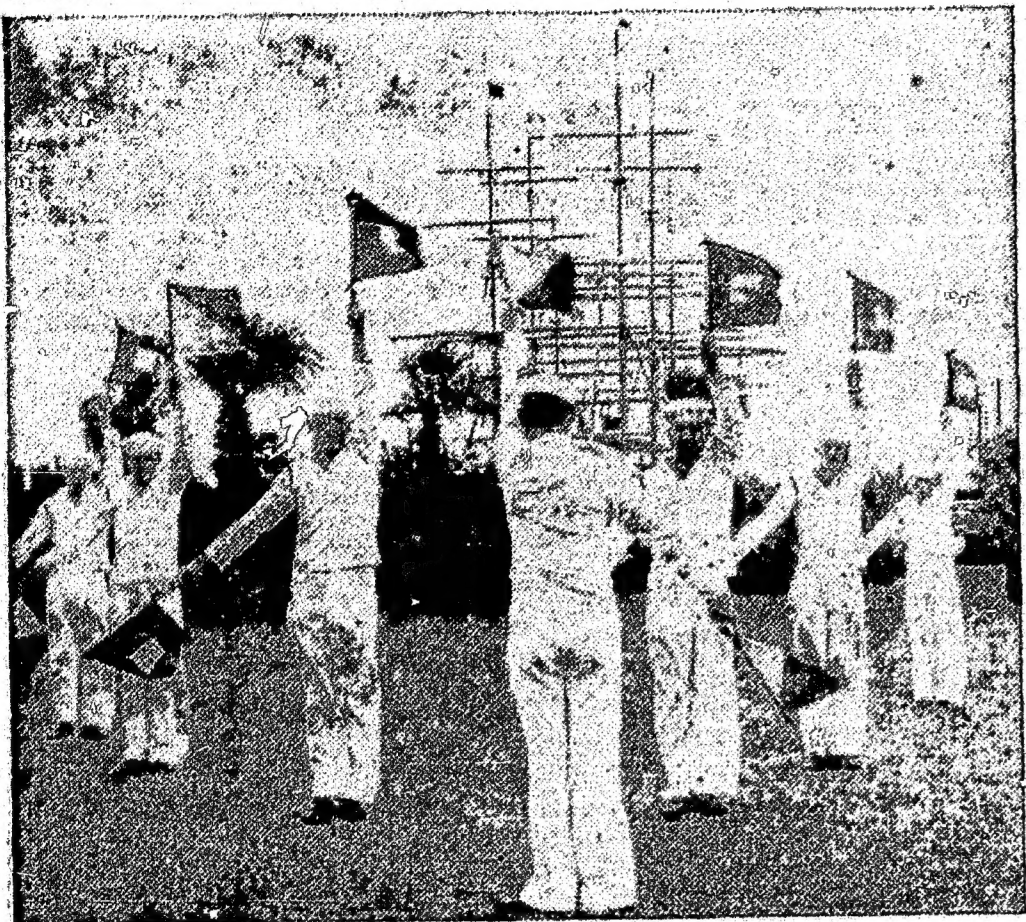
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bacon and
son were callers at Wilbur Yates'
on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Morgan and
Frank Curtis were callers at Merl
Whitman's at Woodstock on Thurs-
day.

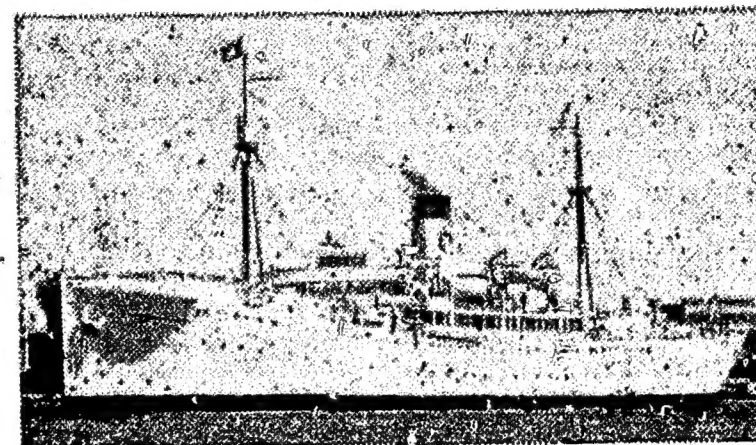
Sunday callers at Anna Hayes'
were Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Whitman
of Bridgton, Mr. and Mrs. Jerre
Cox and family of Norway, Mr. and
Mrs. Fred Cole and Mrs. Hazen
Libby of Portland, and Mrs. Estes
Yates of Woodstock.

Mrs. George Emmons and Mrs.
John Walsanen of Tubbs District
were callers at Robert Morgan's on
Sunday.

U. S. TRAINS YOUTHS FOR SEA



The United States Maritime Service is meeting the threatened shortage of skilled merchant seamen by training youths who have had no previous seagoing experience. Young American citizens in good physical condition 18 to 23 years of age are being enrolled for a seven months' course of instruction in the duties of the deck, engine, and quarters departments. Enrollees are paid \$21.00 monthly; clothing, food, and quarters are furnished by the Government. The training course qualifies these young men for jobs on American merchant vessels where pay starts at \$72.50 a month with food and quarters furnished. For detailed information write to U. S. MARITIME SERVICE, WASHINGTON, D. C.



THIS BUSINESS OF Living

BY SUSAN THAYER



Why Women and Industry are Partners!

"I think after all the American way of life means more to us home, making women than it does to any other group of people," said the woman.

"Not more than it does to the men and women in industry," answered the man, fully aware of the importance of our kind of democracy to the free functioning of industry.

"But it gives us a chance to realize all our basic aspirations," the woman went on.

"And what are these aspirations?" he asked.

"There are five of them: We want—

- to create happy, comfortable homes
 - to bring up children who will be able to build for themselves in freedom a still better world tomorrow.
 - to contribute to community and social betterment through individual action and group participation
 - to defend, particularly in these dark days, the cherished traditions of the American way of life, and
 - to insure a life of freedom for ourselves and our families."
- "Now let me see if I can sum up industry's ambitions which can only be realized in a country like this.
- "First of all, at this time industry's objective is:
- to build swiftly the sinews of national defense so that our institutions of freedom may be preserved.
 - "After that its objectives are—
 - to build an ever higher standard of living for Americans
 - to keep open the door of opportunity and through science and research, to create ever wider horizons
 - to provide more jobs with higher purchasing power."

By this time the woman had put down her knitting and was leaning forward eagerly: "But don't you see," she asked, "that it's the same thing we're after? In the long run what we both want is the welfare of the individual. That is the real reason you

are seeking for a higher standard of living, and the real reason we want to build happier homes."

"I see," he nodded. "So after all, shall we say that we are partners—you women at home and we people in industry?"

"Yes," said the woman, "with preservation of the American way of life—which means everything to the individual—our one objective!"

NORTH WOODSTOCK

Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Martin of Greenwood were recent callers of Mr. and Mrs. Durward Lang.

Mr. and Mrs. C. James Knights were at South Paris one evening last week and also called on their mother, Mrs. Mary Knights, at W. Sumner.

Mrs. Durward Lang was at Norway Monday.

Mrs. George Cushman was at Lewiston one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis McGuire and children of West Peru were week-end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Cushman.

Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Verrill and family called on his sister, Mrs. Nelson Cole, and family Sunday.

Kenneth Buck, Mrs. Clinton Buck, and Mrs. Hanna Cushman were at Norway Saturday evening.

Mrs. Willis McGuire and son of West Peru, Mrs. Linwood Verrill and son, also Mrs. Hanna Cushman and son called on Mrs. C. James Knights Sunday.

Linwood Felt has purchased a Chevrolet car.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Everett and family of South Paris called on his sister, Mrs. Arthur Coffin, and family Sunday.

Miss Virginia Foster spent the week-end with relatives at Portland.

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LOCKE MILLS

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mason are the parents of twins, a girl and a boy, born Sunday night.

Eben Rand and James Gardner of New York City were week-end guests of Mr. Rand's mother, Mrs. W. B. Rand. Mrs. Rand returned home to New York with them.

Mrs. Ruth Dorion and three children were at Togus Sunday to see Mr. Dorion.

The Best We Can Do Club met Saturday at the common. A tree was planted and named Mother Santa Claus, because of Mother's Day which followed, and is to be used as a Christmas tree. The next meeting will be held at another common May 24, when cleaning up will be done and a candy sale held.

NORTHWEST BETHEL

Mr. and Mrs. George DeCosta are at Fred Chapman's.

Mr. and Mrs. Evans Wilson were in Biddeford one day last week.

Saturday evening Mrs. Floyd Coolidge was given a surprise party in honor of her birthday. 63 was enjoyed. Arthur Chayer won the prize for high score. Mrs. Coolidge won consolation prize Refreshments of sandwiches, coffee and cake were served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Taylor, Ruby Jewell, Grace and Albert Taylor, Albert Silver, Marion Silver, Mrs. Vinnie May, Mrs. Nathalie Hodgkins, Frances and Dale Hodgkins, Russell Farroll, Arthur Chayer, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Coolidge, Elton and Stanley Coolidge.

NORTH NEWRY

The regular meeting of the Men's Club was held at the Appalachian House Friday night. Supper was served to 17 men. Sam Smith was the speaker of the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brinck of Bethel called on Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kilgore Tuesday night of last week.

Miss Helen Varner, teacher at the Branch School, and her eighth grade pupils visited Gould Academy Friday afternoon.

Ray and Rodney Hanscom and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cole were Sunday visitors at H. H. Hanscom's.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Gilkey of Colebrook, N. H., called on Mr. and Mrs. Hanscom on Sunday, Mother's Day.

Quite a number from here attended the Mother-Daughter Banquet at Upton, Monday night.

Mrs. Ida Wight had for callers on her birthday May 7th, Mrs. Tena Thurston, Mrs. Erma Young and Miss Carrie Wight, all of Bethel.

Miss Carrie Wight and Mrs. F. W. Wight went to Portland Saturday to meet Willard Wight, who spent the week-end at home.

Mrs. Lester Lane, Mrs. Albertine Waite and Mrs. Roy Bennett have been working at Rumford Point the last few weeks.

SOUTH WOODSTOCK

Mrs. Lenwood Andrews and daughter, Suzanne, returned last week from a visit with her parents at Malden, Mass.

Christena Buck is ill with a severe cold.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Davis were their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. A. Herick Davis, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Omer P. Brown, all of Freeport, Mr. and Mrs. Brown remained for a week's visit.

Mrs. Wilma Hendrickson, Mrs. Mary Flemming, Merlam and George Hendrickson were at Portsmouth, N. H., recently to visit an aunt, Mrs. Harman, who is ill there.

Mrs. Jennie Estes of Paris has come to spend several weeks with her granddaughter, Mrs. Gayden Davis.

Hollis Buck, Janet and Phyllis Silver have the mumps.

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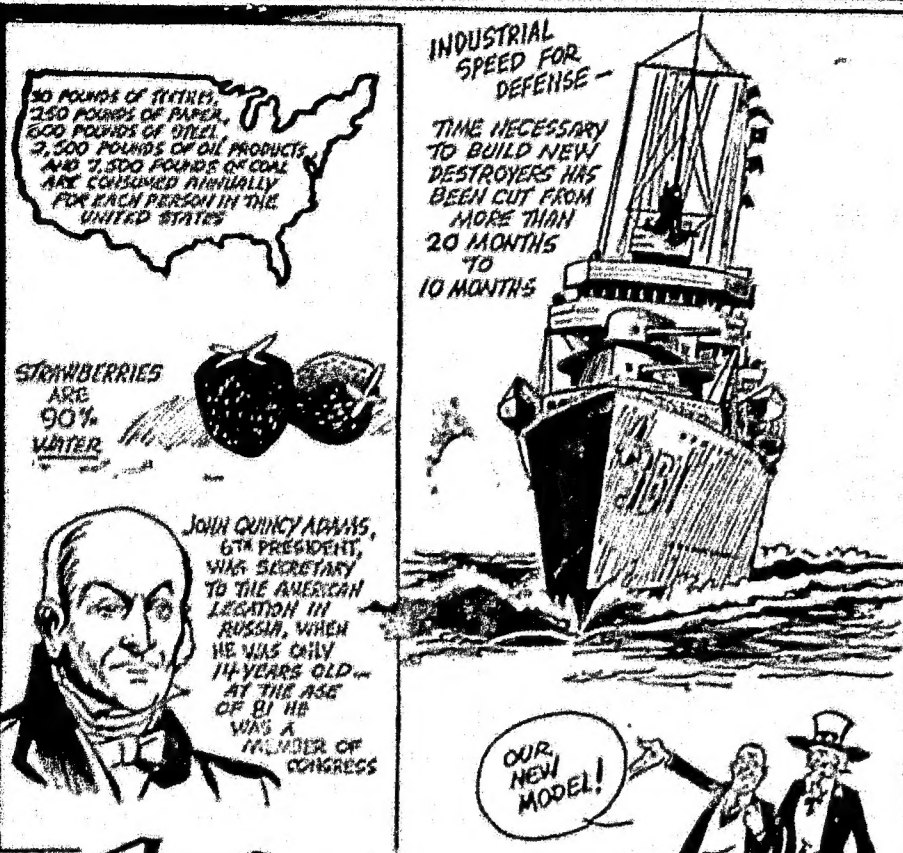
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GILEAD

Miss Cora Rheame of Berlin, N. H., was a week-end guest at Amede Fissette's.

Douglas Daniels of New York City came Tuesday to spend his vacation with relatives in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Garay and family of Poland were week-end guests at Russell Cole's.

Clark Leighton entertained several guests at his home Saturday afternoon in honor of his seventh birthday. Games were enjoyed and refreshments served. He received several gifts.

Marshall Rolfe and crew are building a piazza for G. D. Daniels. He is also having his house painted.

Will Bickford and party returned to their home at Auburn Wednesday after spending two weeks at their camp here.

EAST STONEHAM

Mrs. Jodie Taylor and Marcelle Brackett were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Warren.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bachelder and two children of Springvale were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hildford Sunday.

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GROVER HILL

Mrs. Fred A. Mundt attended the Gold Star Mothers Convention in Farmington last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Mann from Mexico were visitors at N. A. Stearns' Sunday.

Recent guests at F. A. Mundt's were Dr. and Mrs. Anson Kendall from Walpole, N. H. On Mothers Sunday, Ernest Mundt and family from Westbrook and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Mills and children with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mundt.

Arthur Whitman came from Portsmouth, N. H. to spend the week end with his parents Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Whitman.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bennett and Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Abbott, also Mrs. Clara Abbott from West Bethel have been recent callers at M. P. Tyler's.

Mrs. Cleve Waterhouse has been helping Mrs. Herman Skillings of South West Bethel in her home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Burton Abbott spent Sunday with relatives at East Bethel.

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SONGO POND

Sunday night guests at Hollis Grindle's were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mason and son of Locke Mills and Mr. and Mrs. George Bryant and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Hamlington of Auburn.

Miss Florence Kimball spent Wednesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Kimball.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Brown and two children were in Norway Sunday to see her mother, Mrs. Ira DeCosta.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lapham and two sons of Bath were week end guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Lapham.

Mrs. Georgia Butters and little son of Bethel visited with Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Brown Thursday night and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Brown and two children called to see Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Smith and Mrs. Marjorie Newell and infant son, recently at East Bethel.

Fred Murphy is working for A. B. Kimball.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gerry have moved from the Ed Good place.

Clarence Kimball of Bethel was at his father's, Leslie Kimball's, Sunday evening.

Albert Skillings plowed and harrowed for Wallace Brown this last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kimball called on her mother, Mrs. Maude Grindle, Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Grindle and Mrs. Ethel Childs were in Norway Saturday evening.

Mrs. Daisy Kimball is making repairs and getting things ready for the opening of her tea room at the head of Songo Lake.

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HANOVER

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stone of Rochester, N. H. were week end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dickson.

The Ever Ready 4-H Club held a meeting Saturday afternoon at the home of their leader, Mrs. Una Stearns. A Mother's Day program was put on later.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Saunders attended the funeral services of J. Henry Edwards at Norway, Saturday.

Mishemokwa Temple held its regular meeting, Friday afternoon, with a fair attendance. Plans were made for serving supper to the Past Chancellors Thursday, May 15. The next meeting of the Sisters will be May 23, preceded by a luncheon.

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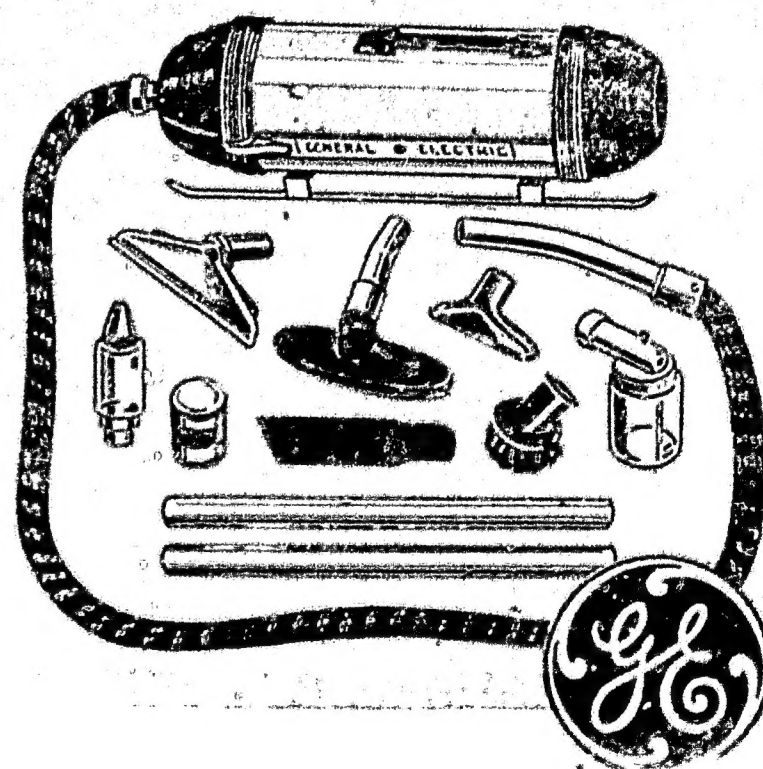
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Wickard's Policies Studied By Farmers, Consumers

Both Groups Decry Price Fixing Program; Wayne Coy Appointed to "Chaperon" Federal Defense Budget.



By BAUKHAGE

National Farm and Home Hour Commentator.

WNU Service, 1343 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

WASHINGTON.—Secretary of Agriculture Wickard has discovered that he has been elected chief devil by the leaders of two large groups of Americans—farmers and consumers. You know you cannot be a successful group leader of any kind unless you have a devil to fight.

And so the otherwise genial gentleman who runs the department of agriculture has learned something new. It is something that all news and editorial writers and all radio commentators know: namely, that if you can make both sides in any controversy mad you can sleep with a pretty clear conscience because that means you are walking a fairly just and middle course.

In Secretary Wickard's case the farm group leaders say he is forcing down prices. They say he has deserted his own and gone consumer-minded. They say this because he announced on April 3 that the government would support prices of hogs and poultry and eggs in the open markets at certain prices. These prices are somewhat below the level of the so-called "parity prices" and that is one reason why he is a devil to farmers. Parity prices, as all farmers know, were established in the twenties and were written into the agricultural adjustment acts in 1933 and 1938.

These prices were established in this way: The prices the farmer had to pay for the things he bought and the prices which he got for the things he sold in the years 1910 to 1914 were averaged. That ratio thus established was accepted by farm leaders as a goal to shoot at in the long fight in the twenties when agriculture tried to obtain legislation which would give it an equitable share in the national wealth. Later the parity figures were recognized by congress in the drafting of the agricultural acts, the purpose of which was to obtain for the farmer a decent return for his efforts by adjusting supply and consuming power as a part of the recovery program following the depression.

Desires Higher Prices.

Now Secretary Wickard wants prices to go up. He does not say how far. All he says is that the government will support a price up to a figure which, admittedly is below the parity prices but higher than they were when he made the announcement and as high as his advisors felt the present situation required.

He has received plenty of complaints and what is more he has encouraged complaints by saying that he would take full responsibility for his action. Now we know that one man's meat is another man's poison. Prices that are not high enough for the farm leaders are too high for the consumer group leaders. It gives them a fine opportunity to get together and chant: "In a crisis you mustn't boost prices."

The dead cats from both camps fill the air and all Secretary Wickard has to do is duck with a quick eye and a clear conscience.

And, incidentally, he is getting a few moribund felines that are really for Leon Henderson whose job is price fixing under the OEM. Mr. Henderson announced that farm machinery should not sell for any more than it did in the first quarter of this year. And immediately the department of agriculture received a flood of letters which, instead of

saying "hurray for our side," said that Mr. Wickard was letting his colleague, Mr. Henderson, get away with murder by fixing the cost of farm machinery at what the writers say is already exorbitant.

And so nobody is exactly happy but the unhappiness, according to Wickard (including his own) is fairly equitably distributed!

President Appoints Coy To "Chaperon" Budget

A little over a decade ago a young Hoosier from the town of Franklin moved to Delphi, Ind., not with the idea of becoming a Delphic oracle but to run a newspaper. He bought the Citizen and met a lot of other citizens around the court house and over at the post office.

Today, former assistant Federal Security Administrator Wayne Coy is executive assistant to the President of the United States with the job of chaperoning the biggest peacetime defense budget in history. He was recently made liaison officer for the Office of Emergency Management.

Mr. Coy has just moved from his office in the Federal Security administration building into a corner of the bureau of the budget office in the state department, with one end of the hall screened off for a secretary. But his quarters do not concern him. He is used to making himself at home where he can hang his hat.

Just what a President's executive assistant does is not easy to describe. He is supposed to have "a passion for anonymity" and likewise a passion for keeping quiet. His function is to take as many details off the President's mind as possible, to carry messages and give other officials as many right answers as possible. In other words, help them settle problems about which otherwise they would insist on talking to the President.

Before a budget is accepted there must first be hearings before the

bureau of the budget where the various departments present their needs. Then there are the congressional committee hearings. Today, with a whole new layer of defense agencies spread over the regular departments and divisions and sections it is easy to see that Mr. Coy, as liaison man for the whole Office of Emergency Management which is the over-all holding company for defense has plenty on his hands. He knows his budgets for he worked in the bureau of the budget himself and he had already had plenty of administrative experience before he reached Washington.

Supported McNutt.

Everybody in Indiana knows that Wayne Coy was the man behind McNutt. He left the Delphi Citizen to become McNutt's secretary when "handsome Paul" was governor of Indiana in 1933.

When the governor became high commissioner of the Philippines, Coy went along. He returned to run the presidential campaign for his boss. Earlier, when he was state relief administrator, he had met Harry Hopkins. At the Democratic convention in Chicago last summer he met him again. This time Harry was engineering the third-term nomination and Coy and his boss had to step back. But Coy and Hopkins are still close friends. That helps in the present job with Hopkins, virtual first assistant to the President. Harry can answer a lot of Wayne's questions without bothering the Chief.

Wayne Coy started out when he was in high school to be a newspaper man. He was a reporter on the local paper in Franklin before he became a publisher in his own right in Delphi.

I talked with him as he sat in his temporary office in the stately Federal Reserve building with its marble panels and its indirect lighting—quite a contrast to the office of a weekly newspaper. Naturally I asked him if his editorial experience had been any help in his present job.

He paused a moment and then said, "I know this sounds like orating, but there is nothing more valuable than having to live with people. That's what you do on a weekly newspaper. You live the lives of your subscribers."

"Here in Washington too many people forget the people in the country seats. My experience has helped me to visualize programs in terms of people. That helped me especially when I was in the Social Security administration. It helps you to see that your administration is carried on the county level. The tendency in the federal government is to carry on at the state level."

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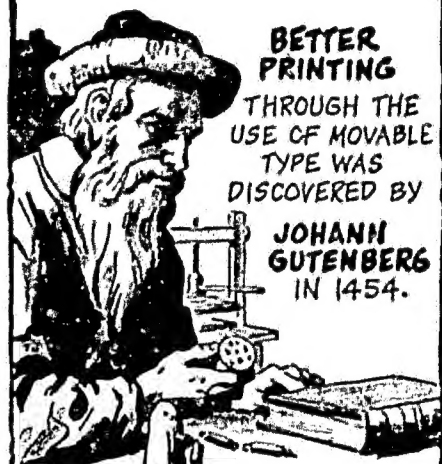
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A Non-Partisan Editorial Review of the Events of Each Week, Illustrated

EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst, and not necessarily of this newspaper.

WAR:

Changed Scene.

Although nothing in the European war was a certainty except its uncertainty, it seemed reasonably likely that the attempted Axis pincer move against Suez via north Africa and the Middle East would change the vital scene of the war to that locality.

That Suez eventually would fall to the German-Italian forces was deemed a likelihood, though the failure of this campaign would conversely mean a distinct turn of the tide in British favor.

Even before the outset of the campaign, when the British had concluded the first move into Iraq, the British ministry of information attempted to prepare the public for an adverse outcome by letting it be known that even the fall of Suez would not be fatal to the British cause.

Indeed, the propaganda articles pointed to Alexandria as a much more vital spot in the Mediterranean than Suez, but how this helped when Alexandria was as much of an Axis objective as Suez was a little difficult to see.

Perhaps it was that the British thought they could hold out at Alexandria after Suez had fallen, thus naming the objectives in chronological order.

All this was considerably in the future, however, for the British attempted to "jump the gun" as they had at Salonika and Piraeus, by landing an expeditionary force in Iraq. There was one vital difference, however, that in Iraq they were meeting an unfriendly regime, whereas in Greece the landing was welcomed, as the Greeks already were at war with the Axis.

Within a few days after the landing from the Persian gulf the British found themselves virtually at war with Arabia, though the Iraq army was only 20,000 regularly armed and uniformed men. But the government which had got its power through a Nazi-inspired coup d'etat, ordered all citizens to grab whatever arms they had and to wage a holy war against invading England.

Objective

Vital objective of the British was to prevent damage or seizure on the part of the Arabs of the vital Mosul oil fields, and the British drive was aimed particularly at Kirkuk, the start of the pipeline from the Mosul fields which supplied airplane and fleet fuel for the Mediterranean forces.

However, though the Arabs were conceded little chance to stand up



When the British put forth an effort to hold the Iraq oil wells by force they faced cavalymen like these. These Iraqi troops make an impressive sight on parade but Iraq asked Germany for heavy mechanized forces to aid in keeping the British from complete control of the highly valued oil fields.

(See Below: WAR—Changed Scene)

to the British attackers, they were on the ground, and even as they started shelling British troops and the Habbaniyah air field, and even as they started appeals to Germany for help, thus laying the groundwork for the landing of a German expeditionary force, Arabs seized the Kirkuk end of the pipeline, and were reported to be flooding the oil fields.

It could not be estimated how much damage was being done, but though the pipeline seizure was pleasing to the Germans, a serious sabotage of the oil fields would prove embarrassing to Germany, though much more to the British.

For the Germans stood even more in need of oil than the British. The latter could get oil from other sources, notably from the United States, but one of Germany's secondary objectives in the Near East was this same group of oil wells.

Of course, if the German drive southward should succeed, the Haifa end of the pipeline would fall as well as the Kirkuk end, not to mention the oil field itself.

But the start of this drive was bound to be delayed at least somewhat by the mop-up in the Greek campaign, and the delay that always had preceded any German move. Each move of the Reich forces was carefully planned before execution, and then was carried out with speed, precision and extreme fury.

Formula

None doubted that Germany would hold to this so far winning formula of warfare and leave the Arabs largely to their fate until the planned advance had been thoroughly worked out. This was the method employed in northern Af-

rica, where the Germans let the Italians take their beating until they were driven back to Tripoli.

Then the forces of the Reich crossed the Mediterranean, largely in Italian ships, landed on the north African coast, and promptly and with high speed drove the British back on their heels, taking everything that the Italians had lost in a matter of weeks, where it had taken the British months.

This was the western end of the pincers which was aimed at Alexandria, Egypt and Suez, with the move of the eastern end, which started with the Grecian campaign and the general Balkan infiltration, expected to start as soon as the proper diplomatic and military preparation was finished.

Many believed the Germans would have to hurry this time, for some observers reported the Russians to be drawing troops from the eastern part of the country, and beginning to concentrate them in central Russia.

This might mean two things, either a protective movement, or an effort to beat the Germans to the Near-Eastern punch and to go into the Eurasian territory themselves, perhaps through Persia. There was an outside possibility that Russia, however, might content herself with a Persian grab, and aim toward British India, instead of following her obvious dislike of the Nazi moves, and attempting to tangle with Hitler's forces.

Soviet Upset

The Soviet was considerably upset. It was true, by the German entry into Finland; was more upset by the infiltration into Bulgaria; and still more bothered by the reports from Turkey that the Turks were planning to follow the lead of all Balkan countries except Yugoslavia and Greece, and permit the Germans to have their will unchecked.

Should the Russians actually jump actively over to the British side of the war, which was deemed extremely unlikely until the British had imparted a serious defeat to the Axis, then the whole complexion of things would be changed and Italy and Germany would find themselves with a real problem on their hands.

What seemed most likely was the eventual fall of Asia Minor to the Axis, and even at long last the fall of Suez and Alexandria.

Closest observers of the war believed that even with all of this the British had a chance to win if they could definitely win the battle of the Atlantic; could definitely resume the unchallenged mastery of the seas; could receive from the United States "all-out" aid including active entry into the war; and could repel an invasion of the British Isles themselves.

Those in touch with the Washington scene believed this country

much closer to being actually in the war, with some actually predicting that our entry was no further off than 60 days.

CONVOY:

Pre-War Issue

The question of conveying materials to Britain by American warships, and the sending of such materials in American flag ships to the British Middle-East command was rapidly becoming the pre-eminent issue before the public.

The isolationists, naturally, were condemning conveying as an act of war, and as a breach of President Roosevelt's campaign promise to confine military and naval service to "this hemisphere."

At first observers believed the question was scheduled to die in the foreign affairs committee debate in the senate, especially after the defeat of the Tobey resolution in committee by a 13-10 vote. The closeness of this vote, however, gave administration opponents new courage, apparently, for almost immediately there was a quantity of stormy material on the front pages all surrounding the question of convoys.

Some senators and some cabinet officers openly favored conveying; the President opened the Red sea as far as Suez to American vessels carrying aid to democracies; and American warships were unofficially reported to be in waters immediately adjacent to Singapore.

Biggest sensation had been sprung earlier by Senators Tobey and Nye when they claimed to have "inside information" that complete conveying already had begun. All forces admitted that the President had the power, as commander-in-chief of the navy, to order conveying, in fact to order navy ships to carry out any of his commands.

The question as put to the President. The President did not answer but the categorical denial by Secretary Hull and Admiral Stark satisfied most people, including all friends of the administration, that the "actual convoy" rumor was only that and nothing more, especially when neither Nye nor Tobey could quote chapter or verse as to their information source.

However, all these statements sprang back into prominence when of all places Vichy walked into

the controversy by stating that 28 American ships "loaded to the funnels" with munitions assigned to the British Middle East command and conveyed by American warships, had arrived at Suez.

The navy instantly issued at least a partial denial. But the navy denial confined itself to the statement that "no United States ships are engaged in convoy duty."

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Into Conflict?

Just as all developments brought one vital question more nearly to the fore, the question of whether or not America actually was to enter the war on the side of the British, the issue, oddly enough, was being brought more and more to a head by the America First Committee.

This group now was finding Charles A. Lindbergh its natural leader following his dramatic resignation from his reserve colonelcy in the air force, and especially after his subsequent utterances, particularly his St. Louis address, which was given verbatim coverage in most newspapers that were opposed to the Roosevelt foreign policy, and in all large newspapers whether opposed to Roosevelt or not.

Several leading papers actually were found running editorials frankly urging full American participation in the war, while the anti-intervention press was using all its editorial power to prevent such an eventuality.

Whether it was intentional or not, the anti-interventionists were rapidly forcing the issue to where most observers believed a showdown was not far distant.

While in this country we do not have the "responsible ministry" system of England such as brought Churchill to ask a "vote of confidence," the lack of which would automatically put him out of office, it was obvious that the Roosevelt foreign policy would continue to be carried to its final objective of all aid to England unless congress forced a major policy change.

Hence it was being quoted that the phrase "all aid to Britain short of war" had been for several weeks changed to "all aid to Britain" leaving out the "short of war."

Stories such as the above were carried in the news columns and then commented on editorially, either pro or con, according to the newspaper's policy. All this, many believed, would in the long or short run be bound to force the issue into a congressional vote, which would definitely settle the issue.

Those favoring the President promptly translated this future action as a certainty that we would be actively in the war, and at no far distant date—those who opposed the President holding that a "great eruption" of public opinion against the President's foreign policy was even now taking place, under the urging of the America First campaign.

MISCELLANY:

DETROIT: The nation was interested in the case of Benson Ford, Edsel Ford's son and Henry's grandson, who was ordered by his draft board inducted into the army May 23, though declared physically unfit by the board's physicians. The board was headed by young Ford's prospective uncle by marriage, who voted to defer him. The board overruled him, stating that while it had "absolute faith" in its own doctors, it wanted him passed on at the induction center.

LOUISVILLE: A commentary on financial conditions in this country drew a record crowd of 100,000, and resulted in a record "handle" for the pari-mutuel machines, \$2,000,000.

WASHINGTON: OPM issued orders to the automobile industry that they would have to cut their production of non-defense vehicles, both autos and trucks, by more than 20 per cent this year, a reduction of more than 1,000,000 vehicles.

(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

Tax Testimony



Here is Edward A. O'Neal, American Farm Bureau federation president, as he testified before the House Ways and Means committee on the subject of national defense taxes. He told the committee that the public should be made aware that their taxes are for national defense. He contended that plans to increase taxes on tobacco, gasoline and other products, would tend to reduce the money that could be spent for farm products.

HIGHLIGHTS... in Defense News

Q The state department granted unlimited licenses to the British Iron & Steel Corporation and the British purchasing commission under which customs collectors are authorized to accept shipments of specified products, without the presentation of license forms, going to British New Guinea, British North Borneo, Federated Malay States, Unfederated Malay States, Hongkong, Oceania, Papua, and Sarawak.

Q The war department announced improved gas masks have been manufactured in more than sufficient quantities to equip an army of 1,400,000 men, and thousands more are being turned out each day. The announcement said about half of the masks are for training purposes; the remainder for field service in time of war.

Q WPA announced it has completed or is constructing base facilities at all 22 National Guard air observation squadrons. Projects include building or improvement of airfields and enlargement of hangars.

Q OPM Director of Priorities Stettinius put into effect blanket priority ratings enabling manufacturers of airplane frames, engines, and propellers to obtain needed materials "to speed production of military airplanes for the United States and Great Britain." Mr. Stettinius also announced immediate application to 16 vital defense metals of a system of inventory controls designed to prevent excess stocks in industry.

Q The civil service commission announced applicants in trades and artisan positions such as machinist, toolmaker, sheetmetal worker, and instrument maker, who have not reached their sixty-fifth birthday by the day they wear to their applications, are eligible to take examinations for such jobs. OPM Associate Director General Hillman said the government has received assurances from many employers working on defense orders that they are making full utilization of Negro labor in their factories.

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